

#### **AHS JROTC Color Guard And Drill Team Return to Dominance**

Article submitted by AHS journalism student Max Martin: On September 26 the Anson High School Color Guard and Drill Team attended the 18th annual "Fighting Scots" drill meet at Scotland High School. The cadets competed against several other schools in five events: Squad Unarmed Regulation Drill, Squad Armed Regulation, Individual Regulation, Color Guard, and Knockout. Each event required cadets to execute a series of commands with precision and unity. One cadet per event (except Knockout) was tasked with memorizing and calling the commands for each event. In addition, cadets competed in Knockout where commands were called

by an active duty drill sergeant. Cadets were required to execute the commands correctly and precisely in order to avoid being "knocked out" of the formation.

After a long day of competition Anson cadets placed in every event in which they competed. Anson took 4th Place in Squad Unarmed Regulation (called by Jala Alexander), 3rd Place in Squad Armed Regulation (called by Diezmond Gatewood), 3rd Place in Individual Regulation (called by Jasearah Bennett and executed by Ann Ray), and 2nd Place in Color Guard (called by Max Martin). In addition to placing in the aforementioned events, Anson cadets also swept the Knockout event with Max Martin taking 1st Place, Ayanna Ramseur taking 2nd, and Darian Gayton taking  $3 \mathrm{rd}$ , out of approximately 100 competing cadets.

Overall the meet was a revitalizing success for the team who had lost their coach SGM Callahan back in 2014 and had been struggling to get back on their feet ever since. Under the leadership of JROTC Instructor 1SG Roberson the team seems to be getting back to winning ways and hopes to turn their newfound success into a strong foundation that will bring them even more victories for years to come.

Pictured above are Max Martin, Ayanna Ramseur and Darian Gayton.

### Wearing Blaze Orange Is Required of Hunters

Through its Home From The Hunt safety campaign, the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission reminds hunters that wearing blaze orange, also known as hunter orange, is required when hunting bear, feral hogs, deer, rabbit, squirrel, grouse, pheasant or quail with a firearm. Hunters are required to wear a cap, hat or an outer garment in blaze orange that is visible from all sides. Anyone hunting deer during a deer firearms season, regardless of method, must wear blaze orange.

"Blaze orange isn't a color found in nature, so it is instantly recognizable as a human presence and signals caution to the viewer," said Carissa Shelton, the Commission's western outreach manager. "Going a step farther, in low-light conditions hunters should consider using a flashlight when changing locations.'

The Home From The Hunt campaign further recommends that everyone wear blaze orange when outdoors in areas shared with hunters. Blaze orange clothing

stands out against an outdoor background and studies have proven it increases visibility of the wearer in low-light situations. Blaze orange also can be helpful in locating someone lost or injured.

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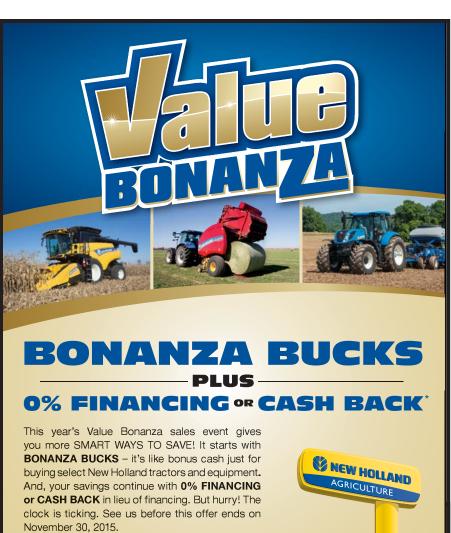
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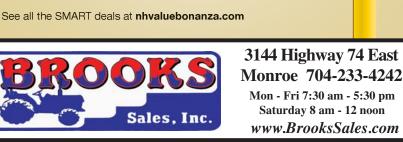
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